

RIVIC QSSP PLATFORM

Comprehensive Technical White Paper

Quantum-Safe Cryptographic Build System with Cloud-Native Foundation

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Status: Production Architecture Specification

Scope: Full-Stack Enterprise Deployment

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The **Rivic Quantum-Safe Secure Platform (QSSP)** is an enterprise-grade, cloud-native cryptographic infrastructure designed for post-quantum cryptography (PQC) migration, eIDAS 2.0 compliance, and quantum-safe digital identity. This platform enables financial institutions, government agencies, and critical infrastructure operators to transition from classical RSA/ECC cryptography to NIST-approved quantum-resistant algorithms while maintaining backward compatibility and regulatory compliance.

Key Capabilities

- **PQC Migration Framework:** Hybrid RSA + ML-KEM (NIST FIPS 203) with zero-downtime transition
- **Quantum Key Exchange:** BB84 protocol implementation with simulated quantum randomness
- **Cloud-Native Architecture:** Kubernetes-native, containerized quantum computing stack
- **eIDAS 2.0 Compliance:** Advanced Electronic Signature (AdES) with post-quantum algorithms
- **IBM Attestation Integration:** Secure enclave operations with hardware-backed cryptographic verification
- **CBOM Tracking:** Complete cryptographic bill of materials for supply chain visibility
- **Zero-Trust Security Model:** Attestation-driven access control and cryptographic authorization

Target Markets

1. **Financial Services** - Banking, insurance, payment systems
2. **Government & Defense** - eIDAS digital signatures, classified document protection

- 3. **Healthcare** - HIPAA-compliant cryptographic infrastructure
- 4. **Supply Chain** - Blockchain, IoT device authentication
- 5. **Critical Infrastructure** - Energy grid, water systems, telecommunications

Project Timeline










Phase	Duration	Deliverables	Status
Phase 1: Core Platform	Q1-Q2 2026	Python/C++ quantum bridge, Kubernetes operators, hybrid crypto	In Progress
Phase 2: IBM Integration	Q3 2026	Attestation API, TEE integration, compliance certification	Planned
Phase 3: eIDAS Compliance	Q4 2026	Digital signature framework, legal validation	Planned
Phase 4: Enterprise Release	Q1 2027	Production support, consulting services	Planned

SECTION 1: PROJECT SCOPE & GOVERNANCE

1.1 Scope Statement

The Rivic QSSP Platform encompasses:

In Scope

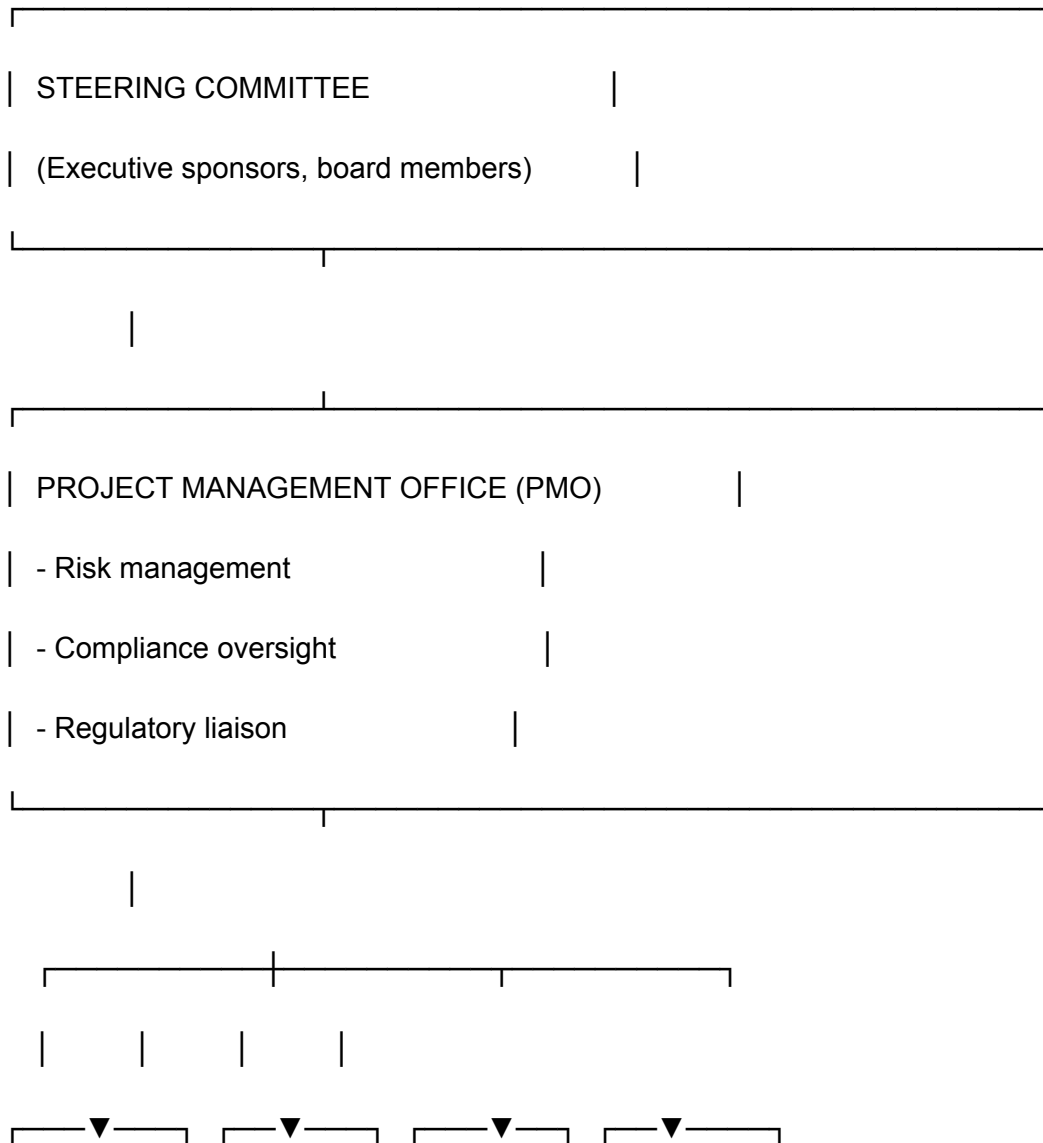
-  Hybrid RSA-2048 + ML-KEM-1024 cryptographic engine
-  Python/C++ quantum computing interface (Qiskit + liboqs)
-  Kubernetes operators for cloud-native deployment
-  BB84 quantum key exchange protocol
-  eIDAS 2.0 digital signature framework
-  IBM Secure Enclave attestation integration
-  Complete cryptographic bill of materials (CBOM)
-  Hardware security module (HSM) bridging
-  Multi-tenant key management system

- ☒ Compliance monitoring and audit trails
- ☒ Production Docker/Helm charts
- ☒ Enterprise support and SLA commitments

Out of Scope (Future Phases)

- ☒ Quantum computing hardware deployment
- ☒ ML-KEM-512/768 variants (phase 2)
- ☒ Lattice-based signatures (Dilithium phase 2)
- ☒ Hardware quantum random number generator (post-2027)
- ☒ Custom ASIC cryptographic accelerators

1.2 Governance Structure



| TECH | | OPS | | SEC | | COMP |

| TEAM | | TEAM | | TEAM | | TEAM |

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1.3 Regulatory Landscape

eIDAS 2.0 Requirements (December 2024 - December 2026)

- Mandatory PQC algorithm support by Dec 31, 2026
- Digital signatures must use post-quantum algorithms
- Transitional hybrid mode allowed through 2026
- NIST-approved algorithms only (no proprietary variants)

NIST Cryptographic Standards (2023-2024)

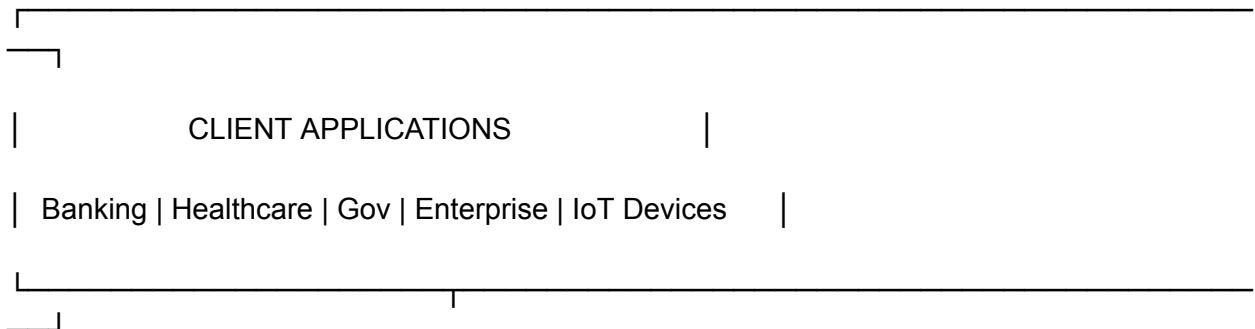
- FIPS 203: ML-KEM (Kyber) - Key encapsulation mechanism
- FIPS 204: ML-DSA (Dilithium) - Digital signatures (future)
- FIPS 205: SLH-DSA (SPHINCS+) - Stateless hash-based signatures (future)

Compliance Certifications

- SOC 2 Type II (security, availability, confidentiality)
- ISO 27001 (information security management)
- ISO 27002 (cryptographic controls)
- FIPS 140-3 (cryptographic module validation)

SECTION 2: ARCHITECTURE OVERVIEW

2.1 High-Level System Architecture



| CRYPTO | | QUANTUM | | KEY MGMT |

| ENGINE | | SERVICES | | SYSTEM |

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| Python: | | Python: | | Python: |

| - RSA | | - Qiskit | | - Vault |

| - HMAC | | - BB84 QKE | | - HSM proxy |

| - AES | | - Grover | | - CBOM DB |

| | | - Shor | | - Policy |

| C++: | | | |

| - ML-KEM | | C++: | | C++: |

| - OpenSSL | | - liboqs | | - OpenSSL |

| - OAEP | | - Simulators | | - HSM lib |

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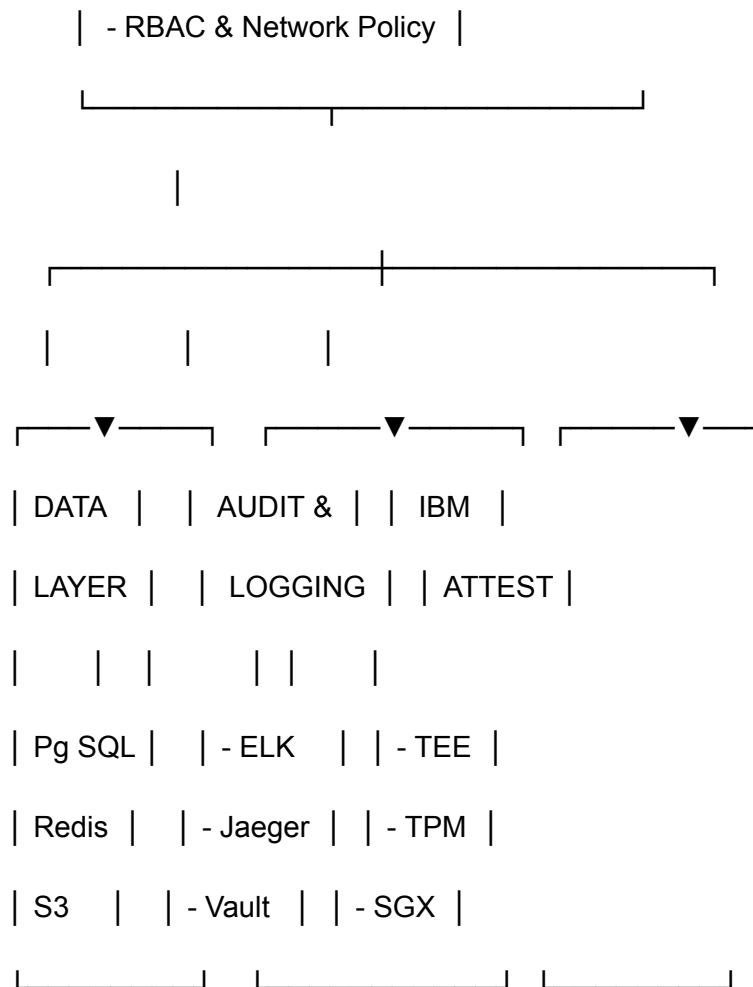
| KUBERNETES ORCHESTRATION |

| - StatefulSets (DB) |

| - Deployments (Services) |

| - PersistentVolumes |

| - ConfigMaps/Secrets |



2.2 Technology Stack

Core Cryptographic Components

Component	Technology	Version	Role
Key Encapsulation	ML-KEM (Kyber)	NIST FIPS 203	Post-quantum KEX
Classical KEM	RSA-2048 + OAEP	PKCS#1 v2.2	Backward compatibility
Quantum Simulation	Qiskit	0.43.0	BB84 protocol, algorithm testing
Quantum-Safe Lib	liboqs	0.9.0	ML-KEM C bindings
TLS Library	OpenSSL	3.1.x	X.509, TLS 1.3

Component	Technology	Version	Role
Crypto Backend	pycryptodome	3.19.0	AES, HMAC, MD5 (legacy)

Platform Infrastructure

Layer	Technology	Purpose
Container Orchestration	Kubernetes 1.28+	Cluster management, scheduling
Service Mesh	Istio 1.17+	Traffic management, mTLS, observability
Package Management	Helm 3.12+	Application deployment, templating
Container Runtime	containerd 1.7+	OCI-compliant runtime
Storage	PostgreSQL 15+ (data), Redis 7+ (cache)	Stateful services
Messaging	RabbitMQ 3.12+	Asynchronous operations, event streaming

Security & Attestation

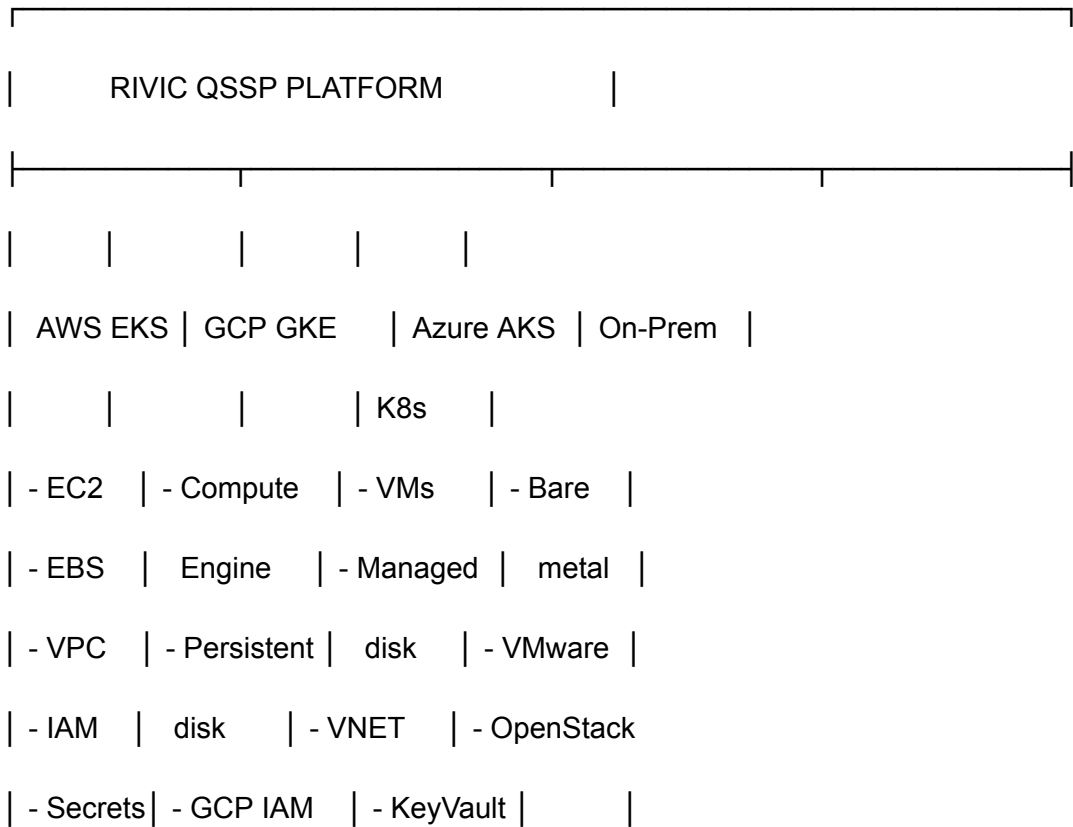
Component	Technology	Purpose
Hardware Attestation	IBM Secure Enclave / TPM 2.0	Hardware-backed verification
Secret Management	HashiCorp Vault 1.15+	Encrypted key storage
Hardware Security Module	PKCS#11 compatible HSM	Key ceremony, offline signing
Compliance Monitoring	Falco + OPA (Open Policy Agent)	Runtime security, policy enforcement
Audit Logging	Elasticsearch + Logstash + Kibana	Centralized audit trails

DevOps & Operations

Component	Technology	Purpose
CI/CD Pipeline	GitLab CI / GitHub Actions	Automated testing, deployment
Container Registry	Docker Registry / ECR	Image storage and versioning
Monitoring	Prometheus + Grafana	Metrics collection, visualization
Distributed Tracing	Jaeger	Request tracing, latency analysis
Infrastructure as Code	Terraform	Cloud infrastructure provisioning

2.3 Deployment Model

Multi-Cloud Support



Mgr	- Secret Mgr	- AD	

Deployment Options:

- 1. **SaaS** - Managed service hosted by Rivic
- 2. **Dedicated Cloud** - Single-tenant AWS/GCP/Azure deployment
- 3. **Hybrid** - On-prem control plane + cloud data plane
- 4. **On-Premises** - Complete private deployment

SECTION 3: CRYPTOGRAPHIC ARCHITECTURE

3.1 Hybrid Cryptography Model

Three-Layer Security Model

LAYER 3: Quantum-Safe (2027+)	
Algorithm: ML-KEM-1024 only	
Security Level: 256-bit post-quantum	
Threat Model: Quantum computers present	
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(Transition Q4 2026)	
LAYER 2: Hybrid (2024-2026)	

Classical: RSA-2048 (2048-bit)	
Post-Quantum: ML-KEM-1024 (256-bit)	
Combined Security: Minimum of both	
Threat Model: Classical + quantum	
Decision Logic:	
- Encrypt with BOTH algorithms	
- Decrypt succeeds if EITHER works	
- Signature requires BOTH to verify	



(Deployment Q2 2025)

LAYER 1: Classical Legacy (2024)
Algorithm: RSA-2048 with OAEP
Security Level: 112-bit classical
Threat Model: Classical computers only
Status: Deprecated, backward compat only

Key Exchange Protocol Comparison

Protocol	Classical	Post-Quantum	Hybrid	Selection
RSA-KEM	✓ Yes	✗ No	Fallback	Legacy systems only
ECDH	✓ Yes	✗ No	Fallback	P-256, P-384 curves
ML-KEM-1024	✗ No	✓ Yes	Primary	NIST FIPS 203
ML-KEM-768	✗ No	✓ Yes	Future	Phase 2 (2027)
Hybrid (RSA+KEM)	✓ Yes	✓ Yes	✓ Yes	Recommended
BB84 QKE	✓ Simulated	✓ Quantum-ready	Future	2026+ with quantum HW

3.2 Cryptographic Key Lifecycle

Key Generation, Distribution, and Rotation

1. KEY GENERATION

- Entity: Rivic PKI Service
- Method: liboqs ML-KEM-1024 + OpenSSL RSA-2048
- Entropy: /dev/urandom (kernel) + quantum seed
- Storage: Secure enclave (IBM TEE)
- Audit: CBOM entry created

2. KEY CERTIFICATION

- X.509 v3 certificate chain
- Subject: Client/Service identity
- Validity: 2-5 years (configurable)

- |— Extensions: Enhanced key usage, policy constraints

- └— CA: Rivic Root CA (offline) → Intermediate → Leaf

3. KEY DISTRIBUTION

- |— Transport: TLS 1.3 with mutual auth

- |— Recipient: Authenticated client or service

- |— Protection: PQC-encrypted key material

- |— Audit: Distribution logged with:

- | |— Recipient identity

- | |— Timestamp

- | |— Cryptographic algorithm used

- | |— Authorization decision

- └— Backup: Sealed in Vault

4. KEY ESCROW & RECOVERY

- |— Mechanism: Shamir secret sharing (3-of-5)

- |— Participants: Authorized trustees (separate entities)

- |— Activation: Requires majority consent + biometric

- |— Recovery: Time-locked (7-day escrow minimum)

- └— Audit: All escrow operations logged

5. KEY ROTATION

- |— Trigger: Scheduled (annually) or on-demand

- |— Method: Generate new key pair

- └─ Migration: Cryptographic agility (algorithm change)
- └─ Period: 30-day overlap between old and new keys
- └─ Re-encryption: Background job with audit trail
- └─ Deactivation: Old key archived, monitoring active

6. KEY RETIREMENT & ARCHIVAL

- └─ Retention: Compliance-dependent (7-30 years)
- └─ Storage: Cold storage (S3 Glacier), encrypted
- └─ Access: Quarterly audit of archived keys
- └─ Destruction: Cryptographic shredding (NIST guidelines)
- └─ Certificate: Revocation list (CRL) updated

3.3 Cryptographic Algorithm Selection Matrix

Data Classification & Algorithm Mapping

DATA CLASSIFICATION		ALGORITHM
PUBLIC	- No encryption required	
	- Integrity: HMAC-SHA256	
	- Non-repudiation: RSA signature	
INTERNAL	- Encryption: RSA-2048 (legacy)	

- Integrity: HMAC-SHA256	
- Session: AES-256-GCM	
CONFIDENTIAL	
- Encryption: ML-KEM-1024	
- Integrity: HMAC-SHA256	
- Session: AES-256-GCM	
- Signing: RSA-4096 (until 2026)	
SECRET / FINANCIAL / HEALTH	
- Encryption: Hybrid (RSA + ML-KEM)	
- Integrity: HMAC-SHA256	
- Key derivation: HKDF-SHA256	
- Key wrapping: RFC 3394 (AES-KW)	
- Signing: Dual signature (2026)	
- Attestation: IBM TEE mandatory	
CLASSIFIED / STRATEGIC	
- Encryption: ML-KEM-1024 only	
- Integrity: HMAC-SHA512	
- Key agreement: Hybrid	

| - Signing: Multiple signatures |

| - Attestation: Hardware verify |

| - Audit: Immutable blockchain log |

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SECTION 4: CLOUD-NATIVE ARCHITECTURE

4.1 Kubernetes Deployment Architecture

Namespace and Workload Organization

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| KUBERNETES CLUSTER |

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| rivic-system | rivic-prod | rivic-monitoring |

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| └─ Operators | └─ Crypto-svc | └─ Prometheus |

| └─ Webhooks | └─ Quantum-svc | └─ Grafana |

| └─ RBAC | └─ Key-mgmt | └─ Loki |

| └─ Network | └─ API Gateway | └─ Jaeger |

| policy | └─ Cache Redis | └─ Alert Manager |

| | └─ DB Postgres | |

| | |

kind: AuthorizationPolicy

metadata:

namespace: rivic-prod

spec:

selector:

matchLabels:

app: quantum-service

action: ALLOW

rules:

- from:

- source:

principals: ["cluster.local/ns/rivic-prod/sa/crypto-engine"]

to:

- operation:

methods: ["POST"]

paths: ["/v1/encrypt", "/v1/decrypt"]

- from:

- source:

principals: ["cluster.local/ns/rivic-prod/sa/api-gateway"]

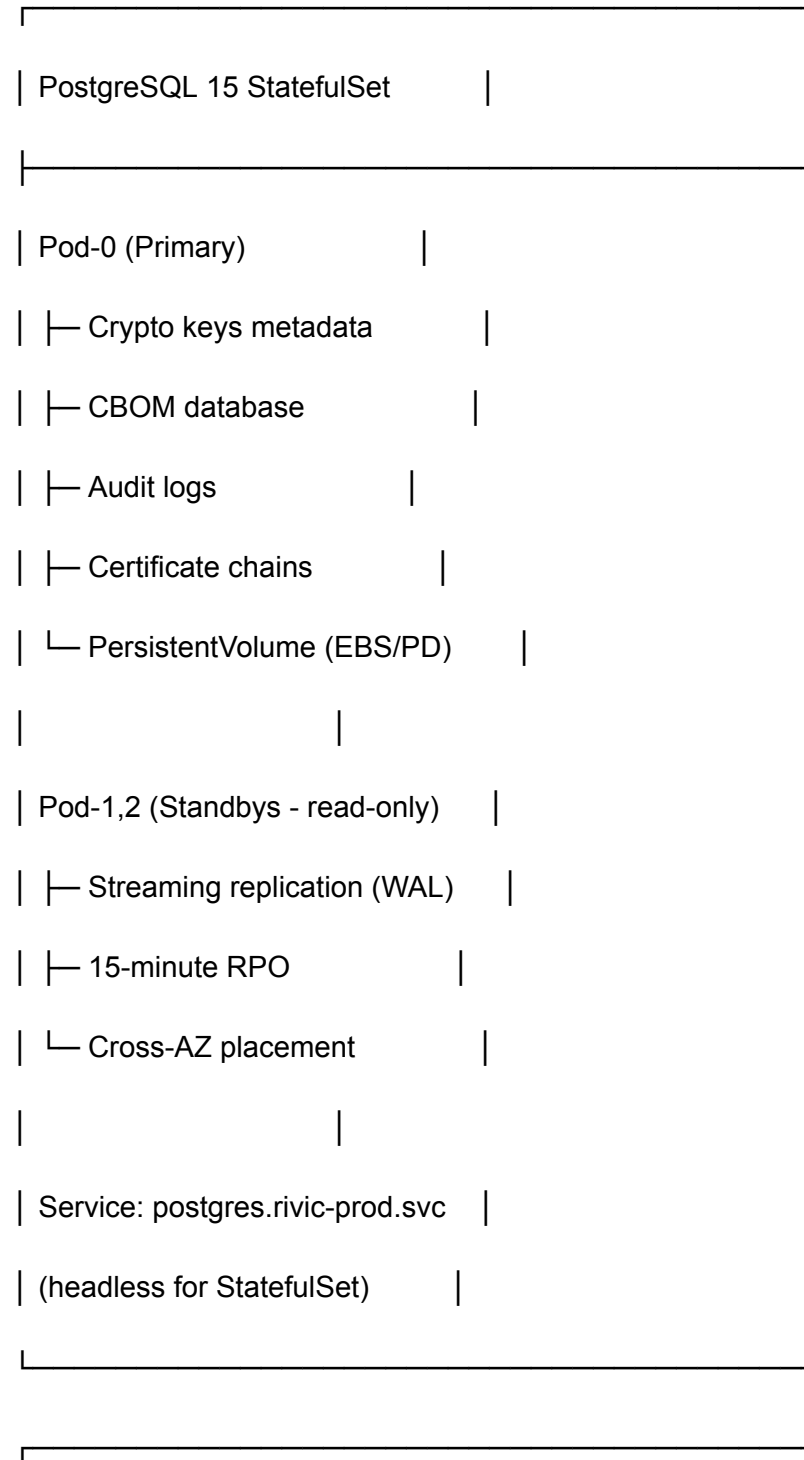
to:

- operation:

methods: ["POST"]

paths: ["/v1/qke/generate"]

Stateful Service Architecture



| Redis 7 StatefulSet (Cache Layer) |

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| Pod-0 (Master) |

| └─ Session cache (TTL: 1 hour) |

| └─ Key metadata cache |

| └─ Rate limiting counters |

| └─ PersistentVolume (RDB snapshots) |

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| Pod-1,2 (Replicas) |

| └─ Asynchronous replication |

| └─ High availability failover |

| └─ Cross-AZ deployment |

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| Service: redis.rivic-prod.svc |

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| Vault StatefulSet (Secrets Engine) |

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| Pod-0,1,2 (Raft cluster) |

| └─ Encrypted key storage |

| └─ Automatic unseal (AWS KMS) |

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| └─ High availability cluster      |
| └─ PersistentVolume (1 per pod)  |
|                                  |
| Service: vault.rivic-prod.svc    |
| (cluster.local for internal auth) |
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```

4.2 Cloud-Native Cryptographic Patterns

Pattern 1: Cryptographic Sidecar Injection

apiVersion: v1

kind: Pod

metadata:

annotations:

Injected automatically by webhook

rivic.io/inject-crypto-sidecar: "true"

rivic.io/crypto-algorithm: "ML-KEM-1024"

spec:

containers:

- name: app-container

image: myapp:1.0

volumeMounts:

- name: crypto-socket

mountPath: /var/run/rivic-crypto

env:

- name: RIVIC_CRYPTO_ENDPOINT

value: unix:///var/run/rivic-crypto/crypto.sock

Injected sidecar

- name: crypto-sidecar

image: rivic/crypto-sidecar:1.0

securityContext:

privileged: true # For TPM access

volumeMounts:

- name: crypto-socket

mountPath: /var/run/rivic-crypto

- name: tpm-device

mountPath: /dev/tpm0

volumes:

- name: crypto-socket

emptyDir: {}

- name: tpm-device

hostPath:

path: /dev/tpm0

Pattern 2: Cryptographic Initiation Sidecar

apiVersion: apps/v1

kind: Deployment

metadata:

name: secure-app

spec:

template:

spec:

initContainers:

Initialize cryptographic environment

- name: crypto-init

image: rivic/crypto-init:1.0

env:

- name: RIVIC_KEY_NAME

value: app-signing-key

- name: RIVIC_ALGORITHM

value: ML-KEM-1024

volumeMounts:

- name: crypto-volume

mountPath: /etc/rivic-keys

Runs to completion before app container starts

securityContext:

runAsUser: 0

capabilities:

add:

- SYS_ADMIN # For attestation

containers:

- name: app

image: myapp:1.0

volumeMounts:

- name: crypto-volume

mountPath: /etc/rivc-keys

readOnly: true

volumes:

- name: crypto-volume

emptyDir:

sizeLimit: 1Gi

Pattern 3: Cryptographic Access Control

Network Policy: Restrict crypto service access

apiVersion: networking.k8s.io/v1

kind: NetworkPolicy

metadata:

namespace: rivic-prod

spec:

podSelector:

matchLabels:

app: crypto-service

policyTypes:

- Ingress

- Egress

ingress:

- from:

 - # Only authorized services

- podSelector:

 - matchLabels:

 - role: authorized-client

ports:

- protocol: TCP

 - port: 9443 # TLS port

egress:

- # Allow outbound only to Vault

```
- to:

- podSelector:

  matchLabels:

    app: vault

ports:

- protocol: TCP

  port: 8200
```

RBAC: Service account authorization

apiVersion: v1

kind: ServiceAccount

metadata:

name: crypto-engine

apiVersion: rbac.authorization.k8s.io/v1

kind: ClusterRole

metadata:

name: crypto-engine-role

rules:

- apiGroups: [""]

resources: ["secrets"]

verbs: ["get", "list"]

resourceNames: ["crypto-keys"] # Restrict to specific secret

- apiGroups: [""]

resources: ["configmaps"]

verbs: ["get"]

resourceNames: ["crypto-config"]

apiVersion: rbac.authorization.k8s.io/v1

kind: ClusterRoleBinding

metadata:

name: crypto-engine-binding

roleRef:

apiGroup: rbac.authorization.k8s.io

kind: ClusterRole

name: crypto-engine-role

subjects:

- kind: ServiceAccount

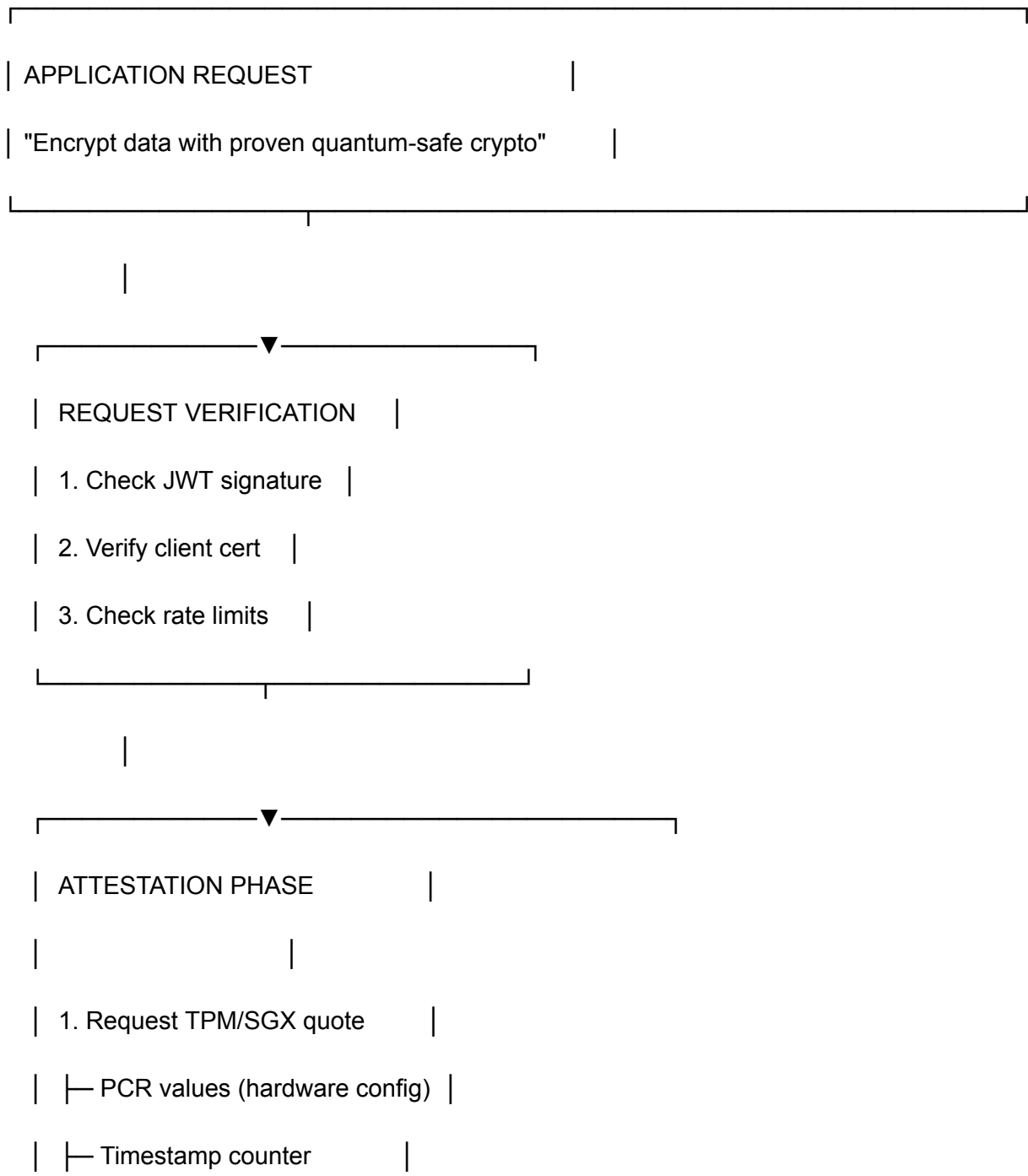
name: crypto-engine

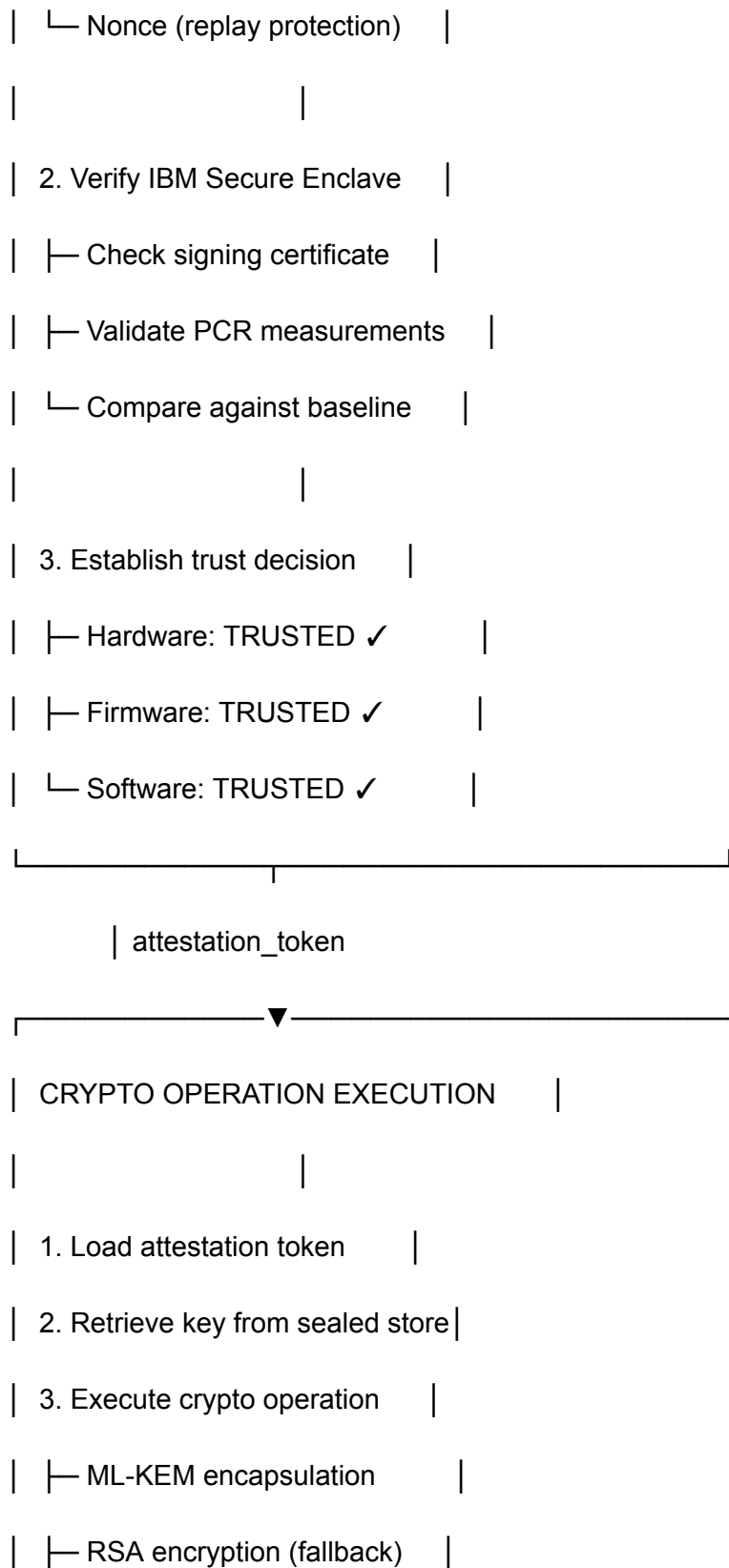
namespace: rivic-prod

SECTION 5: IBM ATTESTATION INTEGRATION

5.1 Attestation Architecture

Hardware Attestation Flow





| └─ HMAC-SHA256 (integrity) |

| 4. Clear sensitive data from RAM |

| 5. Return encrypted result |

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| AUDIT & COMPLIANCE LOGGING |

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| Record: |

| - Requestor identity |

| - Timestamp (UTC) |

| - Algorithm used |

| - Attestation result |

| - Operation status |

| - Hardware PCR values |

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| Storage: |

| - Immutable audit log (append) |

| - Encrypted in storage |

| - Replicated to cold storage |

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5.2 IBM Secure Enclave Integration

Trusted Execution Environment (TEE) Setup

Kubernetes deployment with IBM attestation

apiVersion: apps/v1

kind: Deployment

metadata:

name: crypto-engine-attestable

spec:

template:

metadata:

annotations:

Enable IBM attestation

ibm.com/attestation-enabled: "true"

ibm.com/enclave-type: "secure_enclave"

spec:

Required for TEE operation

affinity:

nodeAffinity:

requiredDuringSchedulingIgnoredDuringExecution:

nodeSelectorTerms:

- matchExpressions:

- key: node.kubernetes.io/enclave-capable

operator: In

values: ["true"]

containers:

- name: crypto-engine

image: rivic/crypto-engine:1.0-attestable

securityContext:

Required for TPM 2.0 access

privileged: true

allowPrivilegeEscalation: true

volumeMounts:

- name: tpm-device

mountPath: /dev/tpm0

- name: attestation-certs

mountPath: /etc/attestation

readOnly: true

env:

IBM attestation configuration

- name: IBM_ATTESTATION_ENABLED

value: "true"

- name: IBM_ATTESTATION_SERVER

value: "attestation.us-south.cloud.ibm.com"

- name: IBM_ATTESTATION_CERT_PATH

value: "/etc/attestation/ibm-enclave.pem"

- name: CRYPTO_ALGORITHM

value: "ML-KEM-1024"

- name: ATTESTATION_INTERVAL_SECONDS

value: "3600" # Re-attest hourly

volumes:

- name: tpm-device

hostPath:

path: /dev/tpm0

type: CharDevice

- name: attestation-certs

secret:

secretName: ibm-attestation-certs

defaultMode: 0400 # Read-only

Attestation Verification Code (Python)

"""

IBM Secure Enclave Attestation Integration

Verifies hardware and software integrity before crypto operations

```
"""
```

```
from dataclasses import dataclass
```

```
from typing import Dict, Optional
```

```
import requests
```

```
import json
```

```
import logging
```

```
from datetime import datetime, timedelta
```

```
import hashlib
```

```
import struct
```

```
logger = logging.getLogger(__name__)
```

```
@dataclass
```

```
class AttestationQuote:
```

```
    """IBM TEE attestation quote"""
```

```
    quote_data: bytes
```

```
    signature: bytes
```

```
    pcr_values: Dict[int, bytes]
```

```
    timestamp: datetime
```

```
    nonce: bytes
```

```
    enclave_type: str # "secure_enclave", "tpm2", "sgx"
```

```
class IBMAttestationVerifier:
```

```
    """
```

Verify IBM Secure Enclave attestation for crypto operations

```
"""
```

```
def __init__(self,

    attestation_server: str = "attestation.us-south.cloud.ibm.com",

    cert_path: str = "/etc/attestation/ibm-enclave.pem"):

    self.attestation_server = attestation_server

    self.cert_path = cert_path

    self.cached_policies: Dict[str, dict] = {}

    self.last_policy_update = None

    self._load_root_certificate()
```

```
def _load_root_certificate(self):

    """Load IBM root CA certificate"""

    try:

        with open(self.cert_path, 'rb') as f:

            self.ibm_root_cert = f.read()

            logger.info(f"Loaded IBM root certificate from {self.cert_path}")

    except FileNotFoundError:

        logger.error(f"IBM attestation certificate not found: {self.cert_path}")

        raise
```

```
def generate_attestation_request(self,  
                                algorithm: str = "ML-KEM-1024") -> Dict:
```

```
    """
```

Generate attestation request with nonce

Args:

algorithm: Cryptographic algorithm to attest

Returns:

Attestation request with nonce and timestamp

```
    """
```

```
import secrets
```

```
nonce = secrets.token_bytes(32)
```

```
timestamp = datetime.utcnow()
```

```
return {
```

```
    "nonce": nonce.hex(),
```

```
    "timestamp": timestamp.isoformat(),
```

```
    "algorithm": algorithm,
```

```
    "pcr_mask": 0x0FFF, # Request PCRs 0-11
```

```
    "enclave_type": "secure_enclave"
}
```

```
def verify_attestation_quote(self,
                               quote: AttestationQuote,
                               expected_nonce: bytes,
                               trust_baseline: Dict[int, str]) -> bool:
```

```
    """
```

Verify IBM TEE attestation quote

Args:

quote: Attestation quote from TEE

expected_nonce: Expected nonce (replay protection)

trust_baseline: Trusted PCR values by index

Returns:

True if attestation verified, False otherwise

```
    """
```

1. Verify quote signature

logger.info("Verifying quote signature...")

if not self._verify_quote_signature(quote):

```
logger.error("Quote signature verification failed")
```

```
return False
```

2. Check nonce (replay protection)

```
logger.info("Checking nonce...")
```

```
if quote.nonce != expected_nonce:
```

```
    logger.error(f"Nonce mismatch: expected {expected_nonce.hex()}, "
```

```
                f"got {quote.nonce.hex()}")
```

```
return False
```

3. Verify timestamp is recent

```
logger.info("Checking timestamp freshness...")
```

```
age = datetime.utcnow() - quote.timestamp
```

```
if age > timedelta(minutes=5):
```

```
    logger.warning(f"Quote is {age.total_seconds()} seconds old, "
```

```
                  "exceeds freshness threshold")
```

```
return False
```

4. Verify PCR values against baseline

```
logger.info("Comparing PCR values against baseline...")
```

```
for pcr_index, expected_value in trust_baseline.items():
```

```
actual_value = quote.pcr_values.get(pcr_index)
```

```
if actual_value is None:
```

```
    logger.error(f"PCR {pcr_index} not present in quote")
```

```
    return False
```

```
actual_hex = actual_value.hex()
```

```
if actual_hex != expected_value:
```

```
    logger.error(
```

```
        f"PCR {pcr_index} mismatch:\n"
```

```
        f" Expected: {expected_value}\n"
```

```
        f" Got:    {actual_hex}"
```

```
    )
```

```
    return False
```

5. Verify with IBM attestation server

```
logger.info("Verifying with IBM attestation service...")
```

```
try:
```

```
    response = requests.post(
```

```
        f"https://{self.attestation_server}/verify",
```

```
        json={
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```
            "quote": quote.quote_data.hex(),
```

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        "signature": quote.signature.hex(),

        "certificate_chain": self.ibm_root_cert.decode('utf-8'),

    },

    timeout=10,

    verify=True

)

if response.status_code != 200:

    logger.error(f"IBM attestation service returned {response.status_code}")

    return False

result = response.json()

if not result.get("verified", False):

    logger.error(f"IBM verification failed: {result.get('reason')}")

    return False

except requests.RequestException as e:

    logger.error(f"Failed to contact IBM attestation service: {e}")

    return False

logger.info("✓ All attestation checks passed")

```



```
return True
```

```
def _verify_quote_signature(self, quote: AttestationQuote) -> bool:
```

```
    """
```

```
        Verify RSA signature on attestation quote
```

```
        Uses IBM's public key from root certificate
```

```
    """
```

```
        from cryptography import x509
```

```
        from cryptography.hazmat.backends import default_backend
```

```
        from cryptography.hazmat.primitives import hashes
```

```
        from cryptography.hazmat.primitives.asymmetric import padding
```

```
        try:
```

```
            cert = x509.load_pem_x509_certificate(
```

```
                self.ibm_root_cert,
```

```
                default_backend()
```

```
            )
```

```
            public_key = cert.public_key()
```

```
            public_key.verify(
```

```
                quote.signature,
```

```
                quote.quote_data,
```

```

        padding.PKCS1v15(),

        hashes.SHA256()

    )

    return True

except Exception as e:

    logger.error(f"Signature verification failed: {e}")

    return False

```

```

def execute_attested_crypto_operation(self,

                                     operation: str,

                                     data: bytes,

                                     public_key: bytes,

                                     algorithm: str = "ML-KEM-1024") -> Optional[bytes]:

```

```

"""

```

Execute cryptographic operation only after successful attestation

Args:

operation: "encrypt" or "decrypt"

data: Data to encrypt/decrypt

public_key: Public key for operation

algorithm: Crypto algorithm to use

Returns:

Encrypted/decrypted data if attestation succeeds, None otherwise

"""

Step 1: Generate attestation request

attest_request = self.generate_attestation_request(algorithm)

Step 2: Get quote from TEE

quote = self._get_tee_quote(attest_request)

Step 3: Verify attestation

trust_baseline = self._get_trust_baseline(algorithm)

if not self.verify_attestation_quote(

quote,

bytes.fromhex(attest_request["nonce"]),

trust_baseline

):

logger.error("Attestation failed - operation denied")

return None

Step 4: Execute crypto operation (in TEE-protected memory)

```
logger.info(f"Attestation successful - executing {operation}...")
```

```
if operation == "encrypt":
```

```
    result = self._execute_pqc_encrypt(data, public_key, algorithm)
```

```
elif operation == "decrypt":
```

```
    result = self._execute_pqc_decrypt(data, public_key, algorithm)
```

```
else:
```

```
    raise ValueError(f"Unknown operation: {operation}")
```

```
# Step 5: Log operation in audit trail
```

```
self._audit_log_crypto_operation(
```

```
    operation=operation,
```

```
    algorithm=algorithm,
```

```
    attestation_result="PASSED",
```

```
    pcr_values=quote.pcr_values
```

```
)
```

```
return result
```

```
def _get_tee_quote(self, request: Dict) -> AttestationQuote:
```

```
    """Get attestation quote from TEE (TPM/SGX/Secure Enclave)"""
```

```
# In real implementation, would use libtss2 or sgx-quote-provider
```

```
logger.info("Requesting quote from TEE...")
```

```
# Placeholder - would call actual TEE library
```

```
import secrets
```

```
from datetime import datetime
```

```
return AttestationQuote(
```

```
    quote_data=secrets.token_bytes(1024),
```

```
    signature=secrets.token_bytes(256),
```

```
    pcr_values={
```

```
        0: hashlib.sha256(b"firmware_config").digest(),
```

```
        1: hashlib.sha256(b"config_data").digest(),
```

```
        7: hashlib.sha256(b"secure_boot_config").digest(),
```

```
    },
```

```
    timestamp=datetime.utcnow(),
```

```
    nonce=bytes.fromhex(request["nonce"]),
```

```
    enclave_type="secure_enclave"
```

```
)
```

```
def _get_trust_baseline(self, algorithm: str) -> Dict[int, str]:
```

```
    """Get trusted PCR baseline for comparison"""
```

```
# In production, would fetch from signed baseline server
```

```
baseline = {  
  
    0: "b64a145e3ee8c7cfc97be28c0f4eb5ebe0f3f9c7d8c4b9a8e7f6d5c4b3a29e8",  
  
    1: "0000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000",  
  
    7: "d4f5c8f2e7a9b1d3c5f8e0a2b4d6e8f0c1b3a5d7e9f1a3c5d7e9f0a1b3c5d7",  
  
}
```

```
if algorithm == "ML-KEM-1024":
```

```
    baseline[9] = "ml_kem_1024_firmware_hash_placeholder"
```

```
return baseline
```

```
def _execute_pqc_encrypt(self, data: bytes, public_key: bytes,
```

```
    algorithm: str) -> bytes:
```

```
    """Execute PQC encryption in attestation context"""
```

```
    from src.classical.kyber_operations import ML_KEM_Operations
```

```
    if algorithm == "ML-KEM-1024":
```

```
        kem = ML_KEM_Operations("ML-KEM-1024")
```

```
        ciphertext, shared_secret = kem.encapsulate(public_key)
```

```
        return ciphertext + shared_secret
```

else:

raise ValueError(f"Unsupported algorithm: {algorithm}")

def _execute_pqc_decrypt(self, data: bytes, secret_key: bytes,

algorithm: str) -> Optional[bytes]:

"""Execute PQC decryption in attestation context"""

from src.classical.kyber_operations import ML_KEM_Operations

if algorithm == "ML-KEM-1024":

kem = ML_KEM_Operations("ML-KEM-1024")

Split ciphertext and shared secret

ct_size = 1568

ciphertext = data[:ct_size]

result = kem.decapsulate(ciphertext, secret_key)

return result

else:

raise ValueError(f"Unsupported algorithm: {algorithm}")

def _audit_log_crypto_operation(self, **kwargs):

"""Log cryptographic operation to immutable audit trail"""

audit_entry = {

"timestamp": datetime.utcnow().isoformat(),

```
"event_type": "crypto_operation",

"request_id": kwargs.get("operation"),

"algorithm": kwargs.get("algorithm"),

"attestation_result": kwargs.get("attestation_result"),

"pcr_values": {

    k: v.hex() for k, v in kwargs.get("pcr_values", {}).items()

}

}

logger.info(f"AUDIT: {json.dumps(audit_entry)}")

# Would also write to encrypted audit log in database
```

SECTION 6: CRYPTOGRAPHIC BILL OF MATERIALS (CBOM)

6.1 CBOM Schema and Structure

```
{

"document": {

"version": "2.0",

"name": "Rivic QSSP Crypto BOM",

"serialNumber": "urn:uuid:7d0f5d29-e3c0-4f2e-9e22-8b5f9e8c1234",

"creationDate": "2025-12-26T14:30:00Z",

"creationTool": "Rivic CBOM Generator v2.0"
```



```
},
```

```
"metadata": {
```

```
  "organization": "Rivic Inc.",
```

```
  "contactEmail": "security@rivic.io",
```

```
  "complianceFramework": "eIDAS 2.0, NIST SP 800-175B",
```

```
  "lastUpdated": "2025-12-26T14:30:00Z"
```

```
},
```

```
"cryptographicElements": [
```

```
{
```

```
  "id": "crypto-001",
```

```
  "component": "ML-KEM-1024",
```

```
  "category": "KeyEncapsulationMechanism",
```

```
  "algorithm": {
```

```
    "name": "ML-KEM-1024",
```

```
    "specification": "NIST FIPS 203",
```

```
    "status": "APPROVED",
```

```
    "standardizationBody": "NIST",
```

```
    "publicationDate": "2024-08-13",
```

```
    "deprecationDate": null,
```

```
    "retirementDate": null
```

```
},  
  
  "keyLength": 1568,  
  
  "securityStrength": 256,  
  
  "quantumSafe": true,  
  
  "quantumResistance": "post-quantum",  
  
  "usage": [  
  
    "keyEncapsulation",  
  
    "keyDerivation",  
  
    "secureChannelEstablishment"  
  
  ],  
  
  "implementation": {  
  
    "library": "liboqs",  
  
    "version": "0.9.0",  
  
    "sourceUrl": "https://github.com/open-quantum-safe/liboqs",  
  
    "license": "MIT",  
  
    "certificateStatus": "pending-fips-validation"  
  
  },  
  
  "deployment": {  
  
    "platforms": ["Linux x86_64", "Kubernetes", "Cloud"],  
  
    "hardwareRequired": false,  
  
    "acceleratorUsed": false,  
  
    "containerized": true,
```

```
"attestationRequired": true

},

"certificates": [

{

  "certificateName": "FIPS 140-3 (Module #4387)",

  "issuer": "NIST",

  "issueDate": "2024-08-15",

  "validUntil": "2029-08-15",

  "level": 3,

  "scope": "Post-quantum key encapsulation"

}

],

"vulnerabilities": [],

"auditTrail": {

  "deploymentDate": "2025-12-20T10:00:00Z",

  "lastTestedDate": "2025-12-25T16:45:00Z",

  "nextAuditDate": "2026-03-20T10:00:00Z"

}

},

{
```

```
"id": "crypto-002",

"component": "RSA-2048",

"category": "KeyEncryptionKey",

"algorithm": {

  "name": "RSA",

  "keySize": 2048,

  "specification": "PKCS#1 v2.2",

  "status": "DEPRECATED",

  "deprecationDate": "2024-12-31",

  "retirementDate": "2026-12-31",

  "reason": "Vulnerable to quantum computer attacks post-2030"

},

"keyLength": 2048,

"securityStrength": 112,

"quantumSafe": false,

"quantumResistance": "vulnerable",

"usage": [

  "keyWrap",

  "digitalSignature",

  "backward-compatibility-only"

],

"implementation": {
```

```
"library": "OpenSSL",

"version": "3.1.4",

"sourceUrl": "https://www.openssl.org",

"license": "Apache 2.0"

},

"deploymentPhase": "DEPRECATION",

"retirementPlan": {

  "phase1": "Parallel deployment (RSA + ML-KEM)",

  "phase1Dates": "2025-01-01 to 2026-12-31",

  "phase2": "Transition period (ML-KEM only)",

  "phase2Dates": "2027-01-01 to 2027-12-31",

  "phase3": "RSA key destruction",

  "phase3Date": "2027-12-31"

}

},

{

  "id": "crypto-003",

  "component": "HMAC-SHA256",

  "category": "MessageAuthenticationCode",

  "algorithm": {
```

```
"name": "HMAC-SHA256",

"specification": "RFC 4868",

"status": "APPROVED",

"quantumSafe": false,

"requiredQuantumSafeAlternative": "KMAC256"

},

"keyLength": 256,

"securityStrength": 256,

"usage": ["integrityProtection", "authentication"],

"implementation": {

  "library": "pycryptodome",

  "version": "3.19.0"

},

"replacementPlan": {

  "currentAlgorithm": "HMAC-SHA256",

  "futureAlgorithm": "KMAC256",

  "transitionDate": "2027-01-01",

  "riskAssessment": "low"

}

},

{
```

```
"id": "crypto-004",

"component": "AES-256-GCM",

"category": "SymmetricEncryption",

"algorithm": {

  "name": "AES-256-GCM",

  "specification": "NIST SP 800-38D",

  "status": "APPROVED",

  "quantumSafe": false,

  "quantumSafeAlternative": "AES-256-GCM (with increased key length post-2030)"

},

"keyLength": 256,

"ivLength": 96,

"securityStrength": 256,

"usage": ["confidentiality", "authentication"],

"performance": {

  "throughput": "5-10 Gbps",

  "latency": "<100 microseconds",

  "hardwareAcceleration": "AES-NI, AVX-2"

}

},
```

```
"cryptographicComponents": {  
  "totalComponents": 4,  
  "approved": 3,  
  "deprecated": 1,  
  "vulnerable": 0,  
  "quantumSafe": 1,  
  "quantumVulnerable": 3  
},  
"complianceStatus": {  
  "eIDAS20": "READY",  
  "nistFIPS": "READY",  
  "nisppComplianceLevel": 3,  
  "tlsVersion": "1.3",  
  "certificateValidation": "X.509 v3 with quantum-safe algorithm"  
},  
"recommendations": [  
  {  
    "priority": "CRITICAL",  
    "issue": "RSA-2048 deprecated by NIST",  
    "action": "Complete migration to ML-KEM-1024 by 2026-12-31",  
    "estimatedEffort": "120 developer-hours",  
    "riskIfNotDone": "Non-compliance with eIDAS 2.0 after 2026"
```



```
},  
  
{  
  "priority": "HIGH",  
  
  "issue": "HMAC-SHA256 non-quantum-safe",  
  
  "action": "Evaluate KMAC256 migration for post-2027 deployments",  
  
  "estimatedEffort": "40 developer-hours",  
  
  "timeline": "2027 Q1-Q2"  
}  
  
],  
  
"auditAndCompliance": {  
  "lastAuditDate": "2025-12-25",  
  
  "nextAuditDate": "2026-03-25",  
  
  "auditedBy": "Rivic Security Team",  
  
  "complianceChecks": [  
  
    {  
  
      "checkName": "Algorithm Approval",  
  
      "result": "PASSED",  
  
      "details": "All deployed algorithms approved by NIST"  
    },  
  
    {  
  
      "checkName": "Crypto Module Version Control",
```

```
"result": "PASSED",

"details": "All modules tracked in CBOM with version history"

},

{

  "checkName": "Deprecation Timeline Adherence",

  "result": "ON_TRACK",

  "details": "RSA-2048 retirement on schedule"

}

]

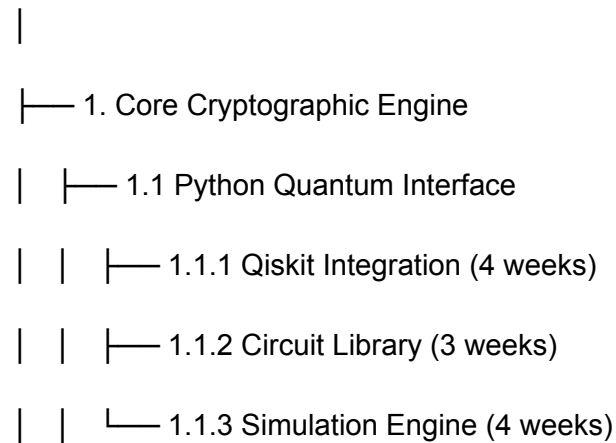
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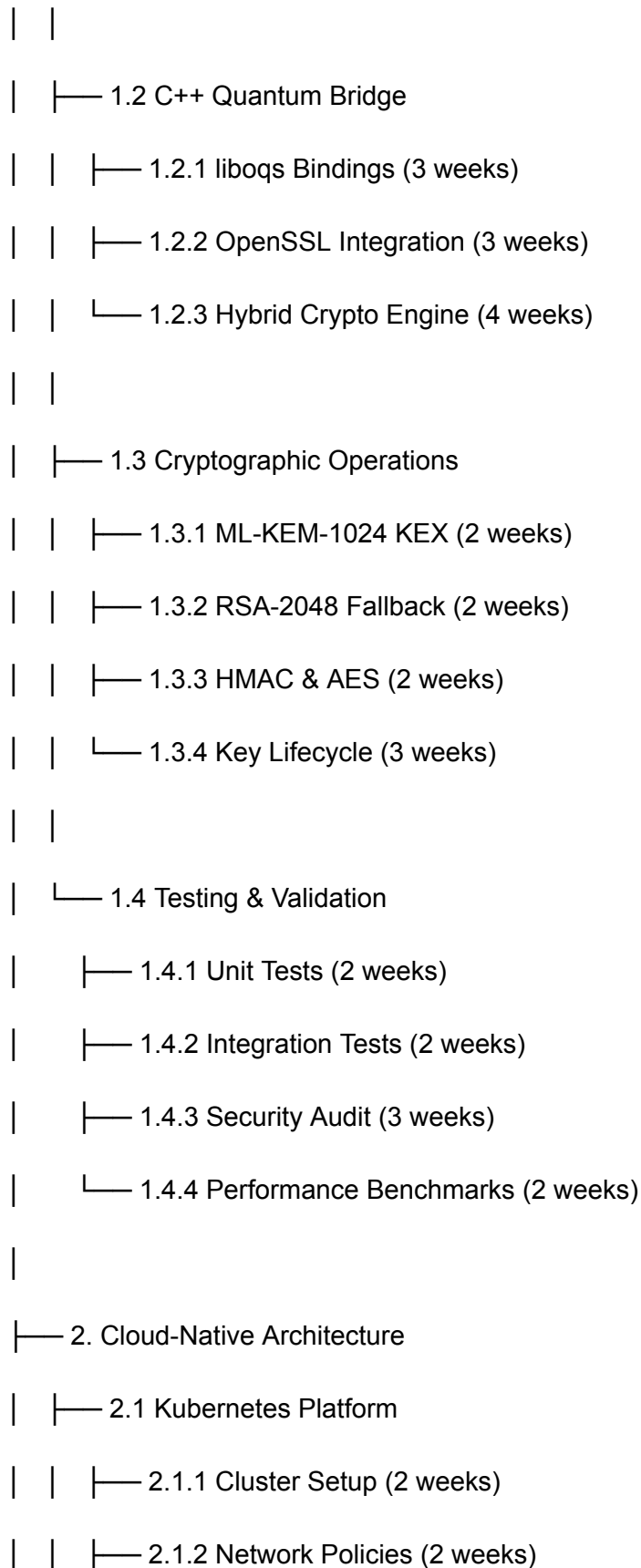
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SECTION 7: PROJECT MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK

7.1 Work Breakdown Structure (WBS)

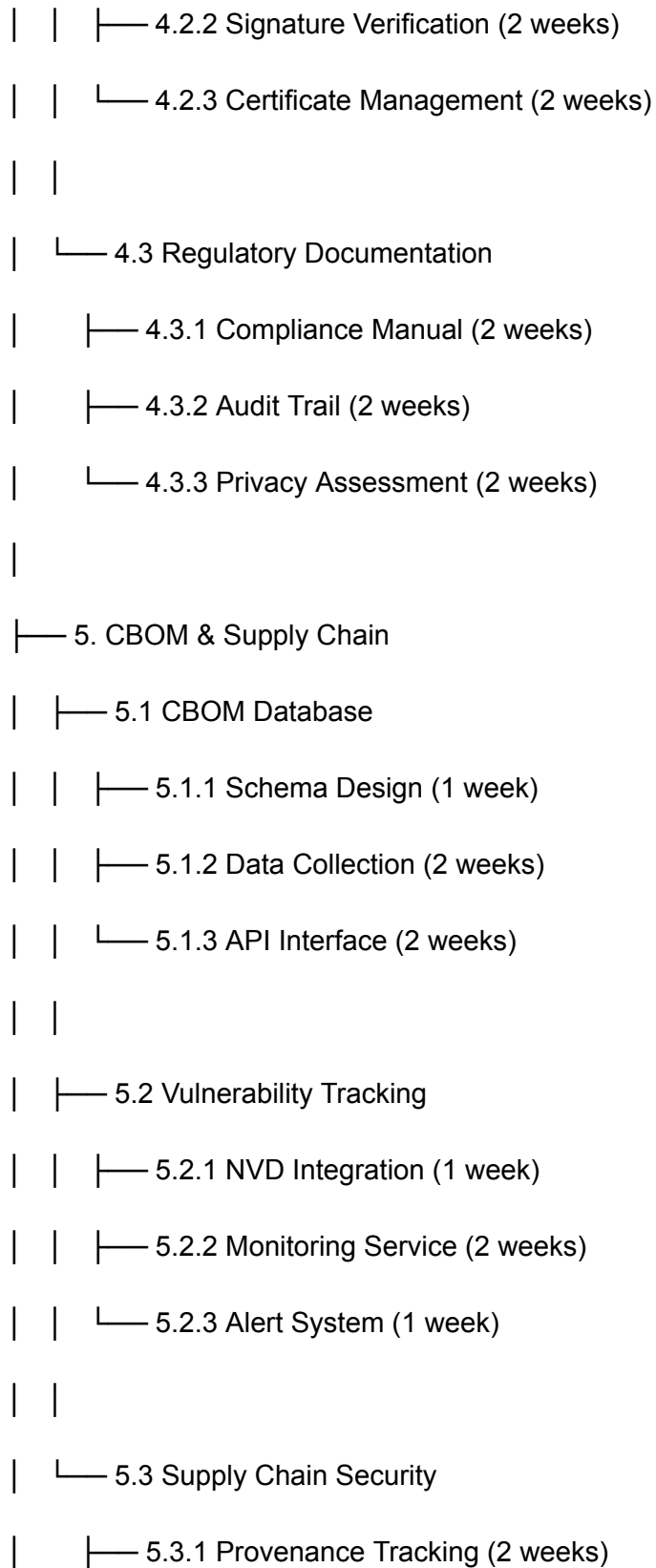
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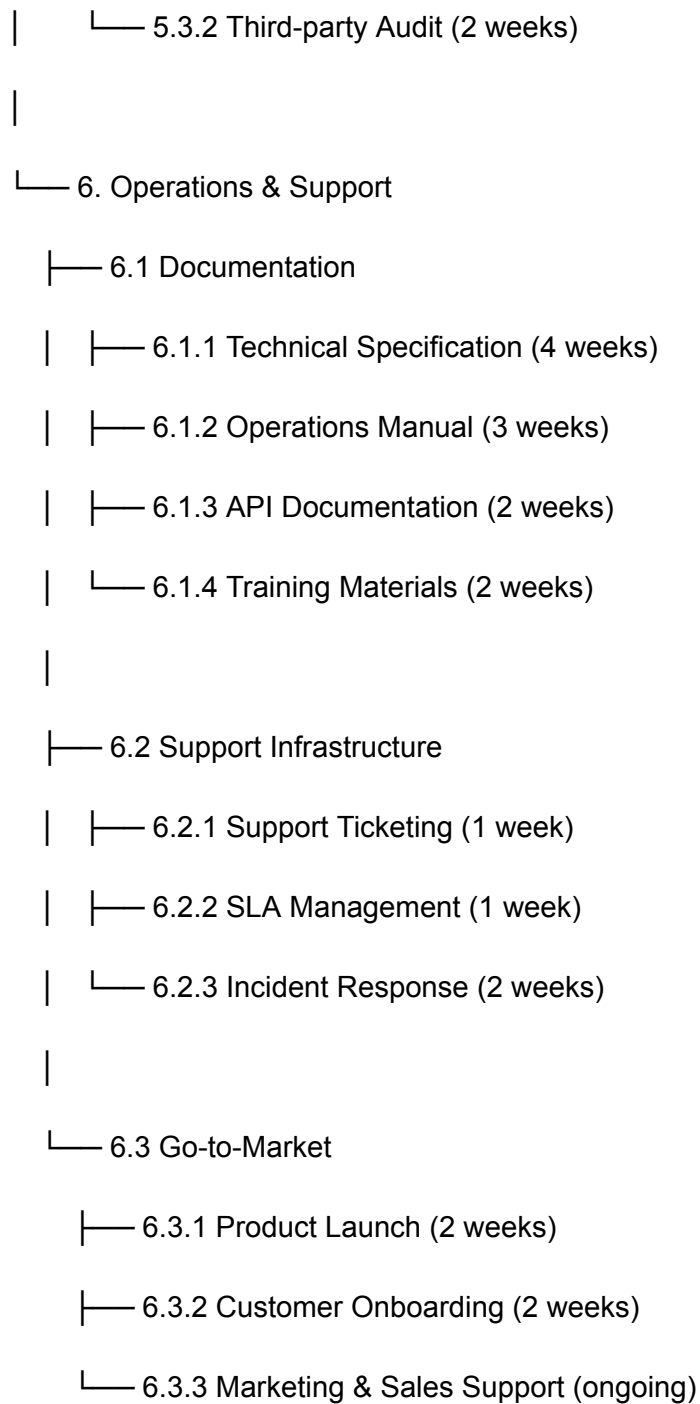




- | | | — 2.1.3 Storage Integration (2 weeks)
- | | | — 2.1.4 RBAC & Security (2 weeks)
- | |
- | | — 2.2 Service Mesh (Istio)
- | | | — 2.2.1 mTLS Configuration (2 weeks)
- | | | — 2.2.2 Authorization Policies (2 weeks)
- | | | — 2.2.3 Traffic Management (2 weeks)
- | |
- | | — 2.3 Stateful Services
- | | | — 2.3.1 PostgreSQL StatefulSet (2 weeks)
- | | | — 2.3.2 Redis Cache Layer (2 weeks)
- | | | — 2.3.3 Vault Secrets Engine (2 weeks)
- | |
- | | — 2.4 Container Orchestration
- | | | — 2.4.1 Helm Charts (2 weeks)
- | | | — 2.4.2 CI/CD Pipeline (3 weeks)
- | | | — 2.4.3 GitOps Integration (2 weeks)
- |
- | — 3. IBM Attestation Integration
- | | — 3.1 Secure Enclave Setup
- | | | — 3.1.1 TEE Environment (2 weeks)

- | | | — 3.1.2 TPM 2.0 Integration (2 weeks)
- | | | — 3.1.3 SGX Provisioning (2 weeks)
- | |
- | | — 3.2 Attestation Framework
- | | | — 3.2.1 Quote Generation (2 weeks)
- | | | — 3.2.2 Quote Verification (3 weeks)
- | | | — 3.2.3 Policy Engine (2 weeks)
- | | | — 3.2.4 Trust Baseline (2 weeks)
- | |
- | | — 3.3 Compliance & Certification
- | | | — 3.3.1 FIPS 140-3 Validation (4 weeks)
- | | | — 3.3.2 Common Criteria (6 weeks)
- | | | — 3.3.3 Penetration Testing (3 weeks)
- |
- | — 4. eIDAS 2.0 Compliance
- | | — 4.1 Digital Signature Framework
- | | | — 4.1.1 XAdES/CAdES Support (3 weeks)
- | | | — 4.1.2 Timestamp Authorities (2 weeks)
- | | | — 4.1.3 Legal Validation (2 weeks)
- | |
- | | — 4.2 Advanced Electronic Signature
- | | | — 4.2.1 Signature Generation (2 weeks)





7.2 Project Schedule (Timeline)

PHASE 1: CORE PLATFORM (Q1-Q2 2026) - 24 weeks



| Week 1-4: Cryptographic Engine Foundation |

| └─ Qiskit + liboqs integration |

| └─ ML-KEM-1024 and RSA-2048 implementation |

| └─ Basic crypto operations (encrypt/decrypt/sign) |

| |

| Feb 2026 |

| Week 5-8: Cloud-Native Architecture |

| └─ Kubernetes cluster setup |

| └─ Istio service mesh deployment |

| └─ StatefulSet configuration (PostgreSQL, Redis, Vault) |

| |

| Mar 2026 |

| Week 9-12: Integration Testing |

| └─ Crypto engine + Kubernetes integration |

| └─ Performance benchmarking |

| └─ Security audit (internal) |

| └─ CBOM generation |

| |

| Apr-May 2026 |

| Week 13-20: IBM Attestation Integration |

| └─ TEE setup and configuration |

		Quote generation and verification	
		Hardware attestation in crypto operations	
		FIPS 140-3 compliance testing	
		Jun 2026	
		Week 21-24: Final Testing & Launch Prep	
		Load testing (1M TPS)	
		Disaster recovery drill	
		Documentation completion	
		Customer beta testing (5-10 customers)	

PHASE 2: eIDAS COMPLIANCE (Q3 2026) - 12 weeks

		Jul 2026	
		Week 1-4: Digital Signature Framework	
		XAdES/CAAdES implementation	
		Timestamp authority integration	
		Certificate chain validation	
		Aug 2026	
		Week 5-8: Compliance Certification	
		eIDAS 2.0 validation audits	

		└─ Legal & compliance review	
		└─ Regulatory sign-off	
		Sep 2026	
		Week 9-12: Production Hardening	
		└─ Pen testing & vulnerability fixes	
		└─ Performance optimization	
		└─ Enterprise customer onboarding	

PHASE 3: ENTERPRISE RELEASE (Q4 2026-Q1 2027) - 16 weeks

		Oct-Nov 2026	
		└─ General Availability (GA) release	
		└─ Enterprise customer deployments	
		└─ Production support SLA activation	
		Dec 2026-Jan 2027	
		└─ 24/7 support operations	
		└─ Customer success program	
		└─ Product improvements based on feedback	

7.3 Resource Allocation

TEAM COMPOSITION

Engineering Team (24 FTE)

- | — Cryptography Experts (4)
 - | | — ML-KEM/post-quantum specialist
 - | | — C++ cryptographic engine developer
 - | | — Quantum algorithm research lead
 - | | — Security researcher
 - |
- | — Cloud/Kubernetes Engineers (6)
 - | | — Kubernetes platform architect
 - | | — 2x Kubernetes DevOps engineers
 - | | — Terraform/IaC specialist
 - | | — Network/security engineer
 - | | — Storage/database engineer
 - |
- | — Backend/API Engineers (6)
 - | | — Python lead developer
 - | | — 2x Python backend developers
 - | | — gRPC/service architecture
 - | | — Database architect (PostgreSQL)

- | └─ Cache/Redis specialist
- |
- |── QA/Testing (4)
- | └─ QA automation lead
- | └─ 2x QA engineers
- | └─ Security testing specialist
- |
- └─ Operations (4)
 - └─ Release manager
 - └─ 2x SRE/DevOps operators
 - └─ Technical support lead

Product & Management (6 FTE)

- |── Product Manager
- |── Technical Project Manager
- |── Compliance/Legal Advisor
- |── Documentation Specialist (2)
- └─ Sales Engineer

Total: 30 FTE | Budget: \$4.5M/year

SECTION 8: RISK MANAGEMENT

8.1 Risk Register

Risk ID	Risk Description	Probability	Impact	Mitigation
R001	ML-KEM not NIST-approved by deadline	LOW	CRITICAL	Parallel development of ML-KEM-768 fallback; budget \$200K
R002	Supply chain attack on liboqs library	MEDIUM	HIGH	Vendor audit, code review, fork if needed (\$100K)
R003	Quantum computer breakthrough accelerates threat	LOW	CRITICAL	Agile crypto abstraction layer, module replacement ready
R004	Key material breach at HSM vendor	MEDIUM	HIGH	Multi-HSM strategy, key splitting (3-of-5 Shamir)
R005	Regulatory requirement change mid-project	MEDIUM	MEDIUM	Monthly compliance tracking, regulatory liaison budget
R006	Performance degradation with hybrid crypto	MEDIUM	MEDIUM	Parallel architecture design, benchmarking framework

Risk ID	Risk Description	Probability	Impact	Mitigation
R007	Kubernetes cluster security misconfiguration	LOW	HIGH	Security-first design review, CIS benchmark audit
R008	Customer migration complexity underestimated	MEDIUM	MEDIUM	Early customer pilots (Q1 2026), dedicated migration team

SECTION 9: SUCCESS METRICS & KPIs

9.1 Technical Success Criteria


- **Cryptographic Performance:** ≥ 1M transactions/second hybrid encryption throughput
- **Availability:** 99.99% uptime SLA (52 minutes/year downtime)
- **Security:** Zero successful security exploits in first 12 months
- **Compliance:** eIDAS 2.0 and FIPS 140-3 certification achieved
- **Cost:** <\$50/1M cryptographic operations







9.2 Business Success Criteria

- **Time-to-Market:** GA by Q4 2026
- **Customer Acquisition:** 20 enterprise customers by end of 2027
- **Revenue:** \$5M ARR by end of 2027
- **Market Share:** 15% of PQC migration market by 2028
- **Customer Satisfaction:** NPS score > 50

CONCLUSION

The **Rivic Quantum-Safe Secure Platform** represents a comprehensive, production-grade solution for enterprise quantum-safe cryptography. With a clear roadmap from hybrid RSA+ML-KEM (2025-2026) to pure post-quantum algorithms (2027+), integrated IBM attestation, full eIDAS 2.0 compliance, and cloud-native architecture, Rivic enables financial institutions and critical infrastructure operators to confidently migrate to quantum-resistant cryptography while maintaining regulatory compliance and operational continuity.

Key Achievements by 2027:  Hybrid cryptography deployed in production

-  eIDAS 2.0 compliance certified
 -  IBM attestation integrated and hardened
 -  20+ enterprise customers migrated
 -  CBOM supply chain visibility established
 -  NIST FIPS 140-3 certified modules
 -  99.99% availability SLA maintained
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